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October 28, 2002

Ms. Dorothy Beard  
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**Re: Docket OST-02-12503, In the Matter of U.S.-Ecuador All-Cargo  
Frequencies**

Dear Ms. Beard:

Atlas Air, Inc. wishes to submit the attached letter of support for its pending application in the referenced proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Russell E. Pommer".

Russell E. Pommer  
Associate General Counsel and  
Director of Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

cc: All parties

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**Nita M. Lowey**  
**Congress of the United States**  
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October 24, 2002

Secretary Norman Y. Mineta  
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400 Seventh Street, S.W.  
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Dear Secretary Mineta:

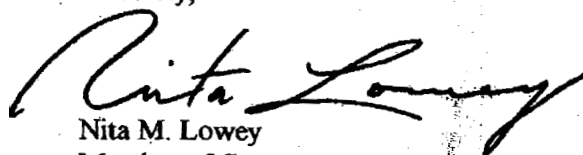
It has recently come to my attention that the Department of Transportation is considering applications for fifteen newly-available United States-Ecuador all-cargo frequencies. I would like to express my support for Atlas Air's application for six of these frequencies (Docket OST-2002-12503).

Atlas Air, headquartered in my Congressional district in Purchase, New York, makes an invaluable contribution to the economy of the State. The third largest U.S. all-cargo carrier, its capacity is surpassed only by Federal Express and the United Postal Service. Operating the largest fleet of Boeing 747 freighters, it employs hundreds of ground personnel at its facilities at John F. Kennedy International Airport. Tax receipts from the carrier also generate substantial revenue for the State.

Atlas' contribution to the national economy is more subtle and profound. Offering inexpensive shipping services, the company provides domestic manufacturers with access to burgeoning foreign markets. A well-developed transportation network will allow the company to take full advantage of its United States-Ecuador frequencies, which would enable Atlas to expand freight service between Europe and South America via the U.S.. In this way, the company would be able to compete more effectively with foreign cargo companies offering direct service between South America and Europe.

Access to the additional frequencies would be an economic boon not only for Atlas but also the State of New York, still reeling from the events of September 11, 2001. Thank you for your careful consideration of my request.

Sincerely,  
Sincerely,

  
Nita M. Lowey  
Member of Congress

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